

I want to express my support for the FCC conclusion that it is preferred to use white strobe lights at night on communication towers. In fact, I hope that the FCC goes farther and requires these lights instead of steady burning ones to be able to prevent migrating bird confusion and death. In an effort to live in harmony with the rest of the natural world, anything we can do to minimize the impacts of human development on other species is important. If there is no risk to humans of changing to white strobe lights, then this change should happen immediately and not just on new towers but on all towers to reduce the number of unnecessary migrating bird deaths. This seems like a very simple and implementable solution to a problem that has been bothering me for many years and resulted in my decision not to get a cell phone until recently. The public will be pleased to know that cell towers pose a reduced risk to migrating birds. This is especially important as communication tower numbers continue to increase at a rapid rate in this country since so many more people are using cell phones. Please register my support of the FCC conclusion knowing that I represent one of many concerned citizens about this issue, and please implement this decision immediately and on all towers.

Thank you.

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